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About *THUNDERBOW:*

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So.....what's on YOUR mind?

-----The Editors----

Face of the Mother:

New Moon	2/08	5:55 am	MST	Denver
1st 1/4	2/16	12:55 pm	MST	Denver
Full Moon	2/24	8:05 am	MST	Denver
3rd 1/4	3/03	5:20 am	MST	Denver
New Moon	3/10	7:50 am	MST	Denver

Planets & Balances -- MARCH

MERCURY(Communications) Retrograde (Backwards) in Aries(Active Enthusiasm) 3/9-3/31; SATURN(Teachings/Learnings) Retrograde in Sagittarius(Willful Evaluations/Criticisms) after 3/21; URANUS(Sudden Changes/"Flashes") Retrograde in Sagittarius after 3/30; PLUTO (Spiritual-level Understandings) Retrograde in Scorpio(Emotional Creativity) all month.

WATCH OUT FOR BROKEN OR DESTRUCTIVE COMMUNICATIONS ABOUT ACTIVE ENTHUSIASMS AFTER 3/9, FOR MISTEACHINGS/MISLEARNINGS ABOUT WILLFUL CRITICISMS AFTER 3/21, AND DEEP-LEVEL(Spiritual) MISUNDERSTANDINGS OF EMOTIONAL CREATIVITY ALL MONTH!

AIR(Thinking) None; FIRE(Willpower) very High; WATER(Emotionalism) very High: EARTH (Practicality/Materialism) very Low.

CREATIVE(Planning/Theorizing) very Low; ACTIVE(Doingness) average; EVALUATIVE(Retrospect/Criticism) VERY High.

HEAVY PRESSURES TO FIERY EMOTIONALISM WITH FOCUS ON THE PAST AND ON CRITICISMS BASED ON THE PAST!

DEVOTE LOTS OF ATTENTION TO PRACTICAL THINKING AND PLANNED ACTIONS BASED ON PRESENT-TIME MATERIAL REALITIES! VERY EXPLOSIVE AND DIFFICULT TIMES!!!

Note-- The Spring Earthquake-&-Volcano season will be about March 15-April 30.

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-AN EARTH RELIGION FOR THE NEW WORLD-

-EST. 1975-

HAPPENINGS:

Item: A recent study supported by the American Council on Education looked at 280,000 freshmen at 546 colleges and universities. The survey found that these students want to go into business and make a lot of money. In the late '60's more than 20% planned to become teachers, but the current figure is now 6%. In the '60's more than one-third of the women planned to teach compared with fewer than 10% today.

In the last two years, freshmen planning to be computer programmers or analysts fell from 8.8% to 4.4%. Computer science freshmen fell from 4.5% to 2.3% in the same period. Engineering dropped from 12 to 10 percent, and nursing fell to 3.3%, the lowest in 15 years. A new high of 23.9% are planning careers in business, and 69.7% (another high) said that making more money is a very important reason for going to school.

The poorest students are finding it more difficult to attend college; almost 27% had family incomes in the 50-100 thousand dollar range, and 6% had family incomes over $100,000. Also, less than 16% (many black) had family incomes of less than $15,000 per year.

Item: A British egg company has offered 10,000 pounds ($14,000) for any egg laid with comet-like marks. It's said that when Halley's comet makes its once-each-76 year appearance, some hens will lay such eggs. One hen in Studley, England has made her owner $7,000 richer.

Item: The Natural Resources Defense Council said that the United States has conducted at least 12 - and possibly as many as 19 underground nuclear weapons tests between 1980 and 1984. The U.S. Geological Survey or the Hagfors Observatory in Sweden (which detected them) allows eight tests to be confirmed. President Reagan's Star Wars effort or low-yield fission warheads are suggested reasons for these experiments.

Item: Microwave radiametry, a technique used in measuring the temperature of stars, is being experimented with as a method to produce hyperthemia, a state of higher-than-normal temperature, in cancer cells. It would bring the tumor temperature up to 109 degrees(hot tub temperature), weakening them and making them more sensitive to more conventional therapies.

Item: Artersclerosis, or hardening of the arteries, a major cause of various circulatory diseases, including heart attack and stroke, is being linked with high blood cholesterol levels beginning as early as the teen years and various blood flow blockage problems in later years, according to a recent study.

Item: A sinkhole near Miami, Florida, has pushed back verified evidence of human habitation in this part of the country to 10,000 years ago. It is the richest and the oldest by more than 5,000 years, yet found in that part of the country.

Happenings - cont'd:

Item: DOE's is considering the following states for a second nuclear waste vault site: Minnesota, Maine, North Carolina, Virginia, New Hampshire, Georgia and Wisconsin. The first site, already approved by Congress, will be chosen from sites in Texas, Washington state or Nevada. The final site will be chosen by the President in 1991.

Item: Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant was tenatively denied a permit for on-site storage of hazardous waste by the Colorado Department of Health.

Item: A U.S. District Court Judge is now reviewing a recent ban he imposed on mining in protected public land. If he reverses the ban, it would again open up 170 MILLION acres of currently protected public lands to mining and other forms of development.

Item: FDA has approved and licensed 30 new drugs for 1985, the most since 1962. Patients in cancer chemotherapy will benefit by a marijuana pill called Marinol, which works against nausea. Another is Protropin, which treats children's lack of growth hormone.

Item: Inability to express warm feelings; perfectionism; indecisiveness;insistence that others do it my way; sacrificing pleasure because of excessive work: these are personality traits generally shared by physicians-male or female - surgeons or internists, according to psychiatrist Glen Gabbard of the Menninger Foundation in Kansas. He says that work-obsession is a problem only if it interferes with a person's overall life. He further states that these compulsive traits can be changed in the same manner that "Type A" hyperactives are moderated - using analysis to gain insights into why they feel guilty and doubtful.

Item: A Brazilian "witch doctor," using a combination of shamanic techniques and local plant remedies, including the atorokan root, is trying to save the life of noted Brazilian ecologist Augusto Ruschi. Ruschi is dying from a liver disease he attributes to handling the Dendrobata frog, an arrow poison source for Amazonian Indians, in 1975.

Item: Too much of a good thing? Clients Anonymous operates a hotline and a self-help support group for people in the Denver Co. area who have become addicted to therapy, with or without sexual imvolvement. The founder of the group says that the danger signals are panic at the idea of terminating a client-therapy relationship or a strong desire to become sexually involved with the therapist. The typical anonymous telephone callers are working women, well-educated, and in the 20-40 year-old age group. The purpose of this support group is to provide an outside source that could give emotional strength to make healthy decisions in resolving client-therapy relationships.

Item: Daminozide, a previously banned pesticide used with apples, was allowed back into use by the EPA. It kills no pests but does regulate plant growth, provide better cosmetic appearance and prolong shelf life.

PROJECTS & GATHERINGS:

HIGH COUNTRY NEWS' Research Fund's annual drive for funds-contribution *(tax deductible!)* to support in-depth investigation & reporting of Business' & Government's activities, or lack thereof, relative environmental issures of toxic wastes, pollution, water-usage, Wild Lands, and so on. For more information, or to make your tax-deductible contribution, write High Country News Research Fund, Box 1090, Paonia, CO-81428. *(Contributors of $50 or more receive, or can give as a gift, a year's subscription - 25 issues - to High Country News.)*

Hari Seldon Club to explore and refine the principles and mechanics of small community development and progress. For more information, write c/o Paul Anderson, P.O. Box 80, Seely Lake, MT 59868.

LECTURE SERIES AND WORKSHOP, Feb.28th-Mar.2nd. To be given by Robert Anton Wilson. There will be a cocktail party before the first lecture. Reservations are required. Party & lecture admission is $15.00; the admission for the lecture only is $5.00.

Feb.28th (Friday)- *Religion For The Hell Of It;* 7:30pm, $5.00, at the 1st Congregational Church (Pine & Broadway, Boulder)

Mar.1st (Saturday)- *Jumping Jesus Phenomenon,Futureism;* 7:30pm, $5.00, at the St. Cajetan's Conference Center (Auraria Campus, Denver)

Mar.2nd (Sunday)-*The Fool & The Universe;* workshop/lecture, 11am-5pm,$45.00, at the Hotel Boulderado (in Boulder)

For more information, or reservations, contact: Liz Freeman at (303) 440-4465.

CELTIC GAMES, March 15th & 16th. The clans are gathering...A function of the Barony of Caerthe (SCA). For more information contact: Earl Mika (Autocrat) at (303) 989-1561.

SPRING EQUINOX MYSTERIES FESTIVAL, March 28th -30th. Workshops, Discussion Circles, Readings, Rituals, and Celebrations. Sleeping quarters and hot water among accomodations available. Pre-registration required. Site rules (State Park); children are welcome. Registrations fees: adults $36.00, children under 12 $10.00, and children under 5 FREE. Rebate for early registration, until March 1st, and group discounts. For more information and registration, for both participants and bendors, contact:

The Aquarian Tabernacle Church, P.O. Box 85507, Seattle, WA 98145 or call (206) 527-8140 / 793-1945.

CAPITOL HILL PEOPLE'S FAIR (15th Annual), May 17th & 18th. Note: this is the first word of this year's event yet seen. More info. as gotten.

ELF-FEST '86 (3rd Annual), May 22nd-26th, near Bloomington,IL. Workshops, dance, Ritual, etc. for beginning and advanced persons. Child-care provided. Pre-registration ends May 8th. For more information contact:Elf Lore Family, P.O.Box1082, Bloomington, IL 47402.

Ask the Old Man:

Question: What is likely to be the situation in America late February-early March?

Hexagram (Answer):

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5	—— —X		———
4	—— —X	GOING	———
3	———	TO	———
2	—— —X		———
1	———		———
	#22		#1
	Grace		The Creative

Late February looks like a time when there will be tendencies to focus on pleasing surface apparencies--an "O.K." approach to matters of small importance, but NOT appropriate to Important matters. It will benefit One to devote some effort to determining the actual substance underlying the apparencies.

IN IMPORTANT MATTERS, LOOK CAREFULLY AT WHAT'S BENEATH THE SURFACE APPEARANCES, USING THE ACTUAL CONTENT AS THE BASIS FOR ACTIONS. WITH LESSER MATTERS, ACTIONS BASED ON THE APPARENCIES WILL BE "O.K.".

Early March looks like a time when we'll be subjected to some "higher-level", or Universal, creative energies and pressures that will present us with some forced-choices, a time of Environmental transitions. There are indications that those who are Seriously and Reliably devoted to their endeavors will experience progresses and, possibly, recognition for their works; for others, well.....

A TIME OF TRANSITIONS AND POWERFUL PRESSURES FROM UNIVERSAL CREATIVE ENERGIES AND INFLUENCES, A TIME OF PROGRESS AND RECOGNITION FOR THOSE TRULY AND STEADILY DEVOTED TO TRULY CONSTRUCTIVE GOALS.

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EARTH-WATCH:

Researchers at the Australian Institute of Marine Science are studying x-rays of coral skeletons, taken from the Great Barrier Reef along the Northeast coast of Australia, which show annual variations similar to growth rings in trees. Data obtained from these studies include sea temperature data, local river flow patterns, some chemicals rivers wash out to sea, and past climate (with an accuracy of ± 10 days). Some potential uses of the data include: track industrial pollution, aid dam/water project planners through knowledge of historical patterns of floods and monsoons in a particular locality, aid in projecting climate by providing information re: The Southern Oscillation which affects climate patterns of much of the Southern Hemisphere (driving El Nino, causing droughts, etc.).

Researchers at the U.S. Geological Survey and University of Nevada report that a premature eruption of the volcano located beneath Mammoth Lakes, where a California ski resort is located, could be triggered by an earthquake along the Hilton Creek fault (a 10 x 20 mile caldera starting in Long Valley). This could occur without the usual warning signs, such as ground swelling, usually present before eruptions. A USGS scientist says the present level of activity/concern is low.

On Jan.20,'86 a new island was created by a volcanic eruption. This island is located in the Pacific Ocean near Iwo Jima and measures 2310 feet long X 990 feet wide X 50 feet high. In 1908, islands were created in the same region by volcanic activity then later submerged.

On Jan.31,'86 nine states felt tremors resulting from a 5.0 quake centered 30 miles from Cleveland, Ohio.

According to Sunbear, founder of Bear Tribe Medicine Society, Earth-changes prophesied by American Indians have already begun. Tribes of the Northwest said "Little Sister" (Mount St. Helen's) will speak (erupt) and the "Grandfather (Mount Rainier) will answer and the land will be swept clean to the ocean." Sunbear predicts that the Grandfather will blow in the next 5-10 years.

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Life Force. Compare it to anything you like. Analogise, theorize, speculate; but it is a distinct thing. To know exactly what it is, provides a means to tame it. There is absolutely nothing in this universe but spirit, including Life.

Space is a created thing. When a spiritual being creates Space, he calls himself "Existing." The act of Being is the creation of Space. We have in this act, the fundamental element of Life Force. This leads to the first and most powerful method of increasing Life Force quantitatively. Just create Space. It is also the most dangerous method.

This is because areas of Mind exist, and when space is introduced into them, harmful energy and mass is materialized. This reacts against the body. This can cause death, sickness, and insanity. These areas can be addressed, and erased in clinic counseling.

There are safe methods of creating Space which generally classifies under common recreation. For humans, Space is the elixir of Life. For disembodied beings, Space is the very determiner of existence. You will find there an actual decision to exist, though it is nonverbal. This decision is made every day, and the firmness of it varies. Physicians call this the will to live. Its absence is a deadly disease called melancholy, and the remedy is space.

Space is produced by the act of perception. For a body, that means getting it out for a walk or a hike. Having it look, and importantly, making it touch things. For yourself, as a thetan, your life force will be increased when you take the trouble to actually duplicate your environment.

Reach out spiritually, and brush the surfaces. Conceive that you are adding weight and substance to everything you perceive. Make it sparkle; make it hum. Create and produce your location with eyes closed. The decision to exist is yours to make, and it is by making space.

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IN PASSING: Reptilian Imaginings

Oh misty murky hollow
Of damp cobwebs and sour wine,
Amid your dripping willows
Magic creatures one will find.

Hiding there in the thicket,
Among the thistles and thorns,
Lies a serpent mistakenly wicked,
And a legend to be born.

Asleep, he poses no danger,
Sleek head, large almond eyes
Closed tightly to dusky strangers
Caught whispering gossip and lies.

For the dragons tongue is flameless,
When secrets and legends unfold,
His yesterdays are timeless,
His adventures forever old.

He dreams of daggers and of damsels,
Of dungeons and of powerful kings,
Of magical mystical castles,
Of reptilian imaginings.

The dragon is almost beautiful
Asleep in the misty hollow,
Calm, tame, not so deceitful,
Escaping his mythical shadow.

Julie Whitehead

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LET'S TACK RUNES:

Part 1- Background

I know I hung on that windswept tree,
Swung there for nine long nights,
Wounded by my own blade,
Bloodied for Odin,
Myself an offering to myself:
Bound to the tree,
That no man knows
Whither the roots of it run.

None gave me bread,
None gave me drink,
Down to the deepest depths I peered,
Until I spied the Runes.
With a roaring cry I seized them up,
Then dizzy and fainting, I fell.

Well-being I won,
And wisdom too.
I grew and took joy in my growth:
From a word to a word,
From a deed to another deed.

a translation from:
The Poetic Edda
(ca. 1200AD)

The origins of the runes are lost in history. So what have we now, in connection with the runes? What are the basic symbologies?

Most people who use, or read, the runes have a set of small stones or chips; a small bag for safe keeping; and possibly a cloth for casting runes upon. The current set of the VIKING runes is twenty-five marked stones. Older sets were only twenty-four stones.

The stones, or runes, were known in three groups or sets. The three "aettir" have become known as: Freyr's eight, Hagal's eight,and Tyr's eight. Freyr was a god of fertility, and Tyr was a god of war. As far as I can tell, Hagal was a husbandman and a protector; more representative of the human couple, capable of mischief, healing, craft, and protection. In one of the legends, Hagal was a foster-father to a being named Helgi. Thus, I see Hagal as being a mediator between Freyr and Tyr.

The twenty-fifth stone was added in later times and was blank. This rune was used to represent Destiny; matters either hidden in veils, or currently the concern of "higher powers"; and the beginning and the ending.

The bag is more than just a container. For some people, the bag represents the Unknown. For some, the bag represents the well of the Oracle. For other people, the bag represents the womb. The bag top is similar to the vagina in that it is a gateway for Life.

The casting cloth is a place for casting the runes upon. It could be thought of as a clean, or cleansed, place. The cloth could provide a place of focus or a place for matters of the spirit (a holy place, if you will).

--Shadoweaver--

STAR STUDIES:

---July 15,'85---Photos from 153 million miles, from Uranus, received from Voyager 2. The planet appears to be blue. This is due to color spectrum filtering by the methane gas in the atmosphere. The methane gas absorbs red from the spectrum, which leaves the other colors to reflect off into space. The blue is the color which carries the farthest to NASA's telescopes and cameras.

---Jan.17,'86---NASA discloses the discovery of six moons, bringing the total of known moons to twelve. Voyager 2 is 10.1 million miles from Uranus.

---Jan.21,'86---Voyager 2 has discovered a total to date of seven moons and a weather system on the planet Uranus, previously viewed as unlikely to exist. At least twelve more moons are thought to be uncharted. The new moons are in orbit from 38,370 miles to 46,700 miles above the planetary center of Uranus. All of these orbits are within the moon Miranda's orbit.

Voyager 2 is to pass within 51,000 miles of Uranus, on Friday (Jan.24,'86), during photo runs that will include the moon called Miranda. Gravity and momentum will be balanced to fling Voyager 2 toward Neptune.

---Jan.23,'86---NASA discloses that two moons, recently discovered, are the first of the "shepard" moons found orbiting Uranus. Shepard moons are named this way because it is believed that the gravitational forces of each moon keep the nine rings surrounding Uranus "in line". There are twelve other moons, that although they orbit Uranus, they are not counted among the shepard moons.

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HEALTH OF MIND AND BODY:

In a recent issue of "FDA Consumer" the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) officially announced the refusal of a petition filed by a consumer group for a ban on ten food, drug, and cosmetic dyes. These dyes have been researched extensively for 25 years, and many have been found to cause cancer.

Despite the research findings, the FDA has taken the position that the manufacturers need an additional 5 years to study these dyes. In the meantime, three of these dyes are used in processed foods such as desserts and dessert mixes, candy, pastries, and soft drinks. All ten of the dyes are used in drugs and cosmetics.

Beware of food, drugs, and cosmetics with labels which read "food colors,""food dyes," or "coloring."

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A study in the "New England Journal of Medicine" has provided evidence to indicate a link between heredity and obesity. Previous to this study, it had been widely believed that environment (childhood eating habits), rather than heredity, determined obesity. The research indicated that even when the offspring of overweight parents were adopted by thin parents, the children had a predilection toward obesity. This predilection does not condemn some people to a life of obesity, however, as diet and exercise strongly influences one's weight.

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The USDA Agriculture Research Service reports that high levels of Vitamin C do not interfere with the metabolism of Vitamins B12 and B6 as previously thought.

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SPECIAL REQUEST:

The Covenant of the Goddess Children's Committee is currently compiling materials suitable for Pagan children and children that are new to Paganism. This includes, but is not limited to: poetry, stories, rituals both by and for children, songs, games, dance, crafts, arts, and drama. They are especially interested in any information on child goddesses and gods. All contributions will be credited upon distribution.

We'd be most grateful to anyone who sends any contributions, suggestions, and materials to: Bone Blossom, 315 Precita Street, San Francisco, CA 94110.

AMERICAN LACNUNGA

Do You Have A Light Body?

If the research conducted by Fritz-Albert Popp, a West German physicist, means anything; you certainly do have such a body. It is not measured in pounds, but in photons. His work, reported in the *Brain-Mind Bulletin*, has demonstrated that growing cells radiate light,with even more intensity than fully developed cells.

When this work is put alongside that reported by Herbert Pohl, in Oklahoma, our bodies take on an entirely different look. Mr. Pohl has detected faint, miniscule radio signals coming from people, animals, plants, and bacteria.

AND A SPECIAL NOTE:

AMERICAN SURVIVAL GUIDE (published monthly, McMullen Publishing, P.O.Box 15690, Santa Ana, CA 92705,$21.95/year-12 issues) has 2 articles of interest for earth-watchers, in the Feb.1986 issue(Volume 8, Number 2). The first is an informative general article on earthquakes and the second is a short feature on the New Madrid Fault system centered in S.E. Missouri. This system may slip again soon-it is now overdue, according to some experts, and the last quake, in the early 1800's, registered an estimated 8.5 on the Modified Mercali Scale over an area of 2.5 MILLION square kilometers.

SHIFTS & CHANGES:

The *COVENANT OF THE GODDESS* Newsletter, has a new address. The address is: The CoG Newsletter, P.O.Box 194, San Anselmo, CA 94960.

SEVEN ARROWS' DOINGS:

Many thanks to the "Thunderbow-group" for the splendid work they've been willing to do in order to get two issues of T-bow out in the time usually taken for one in order to get it back on schedule! And for their willingness to also take over handling of the routine correspondence to allow time for me to begin catching up the special letters!

-- George --

CLASS-STARTS:

1. The new Monday-eve. Basic Magic series began with 17 enrollees, necessitating dividing the group into Monday & Wednesday evenings.
2. Basics of Shamanism will begin Feb. 18 for a 16-week "run".
3. Intermediate Shamanism will begin either Feb. 23 OR Mar. 2 for a 29-week "run".

Note--The current Intermediate Shamanism class will be getting their credentials at March New Moon.

Also, the feature-article in the March *Denver Magazine* includes a write-up about George & Church Of Seven Arrows.

REMINDERS:

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